## Washington State Gambling Commission



## **Charitable/Nonprofit Gambling:**

- Legislative Purpose and Authorized Activities
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#### Legislative Purpose

RCW 9.46.010 declares that raising funds for bona fide nonprofit & charitable organizations through certain gambling activities is in the public interest



# Which Nonprofit/Charitable Organizations Qualify?

Primarily organizations classified exempt by IRS for federal income taxes qualify

All organizations must be organized for at least one of the following purposes:

- 1. Charitable
- 2. Benevolent
- 3. Eleemosynary
- 4. Educational
- 5. Patriotic

- 6. Political
- 7. Social
- 8. Fraternal
- 9. Civic
- 10. Athletic

11. Agricultural



# Additional Requirements to Conduct Charitable/Nonprofit Gambling Activities

Must be organized for at least 12 months

• No less than 15 voting members that elect the governing body

 Ability to demonstrate significant progress towards stated purpose

# What Types of Gambling Activities Can Nonprofit/Charitable Organizations Operate?

#### 2002 Gross Receipts

• Bingo \$ 128,252,938

• Punchboards & Pull-Tabs \$ 89,619,585

• Raffles \$ 6,543,571

• Amusement Games \$ 238,611

• Fund Raising Events \$ 100,446

# Nonprofit/Charitable Programs

• There are a broad variety of programs operated by nonprofit/charitable organizations that are driven by the purpose of each particular organization

 Programs commonly include social services, education, athletics, and youth development

## Top 10 Bingo Operators According to Gross Receipts

		PRIZES	
	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>PAID</u>	<u>PO%</u>
1 Seattle Junior Hockey/Mountlake Terrace	\$4,998,681	\$3,654,579	73.1%
2 Music Works Northwest/Renton	4,855,102	3,464,669	71.4%
3 Northern Lights Drum & Bugle/Longview	4,564,489	3,127,118	68.5%
4 40 & 8 # 00099/Vancouver	4,321,335	2,975,253	68.9%
5 Big Brothers Big Sisters/King Co./Burien	3,853,184	2,758,420	71.6%
6 Seattle Skating Club Inc./Edmonds	3,779,087	2,834,288	75.0%
7 Cascades Youth Music Assoc./Shoreline	3,697,932	2,716,746	73.5%
8 Silver Buckle Rodeo Club/Vancouver	3,358,512	2,324,143	69.2%
9 Sno-King Amateur Hockey Assoc./Kirkland	3,210,047	2,404,230	74.9%
10 Jaycees/Seattle/Tukwila	3,199,119	2,377,901	74.3%

### **Bingo Demographics**

• More than 65% of licensees have less than \$100,000 in annual gross receipts

• Less than 13% of licensees have more than \$2 million in annual gross receipts

 Prize payouts at between 68 and 75 percent

# How Much Gambling Proceeds Go Towards the Programs?

Fiscal Year 2000

Fiscal Year 2002

 Activity
 Net Income
 Activity
 Net Income

 Bingo
 \$9,617,455
 Bingo
 \$7,989,969

 (6.08% of gross)
 (6.23% of gross)

 All others
 \$11,045,733
 All others
 \$9,392,985

 (10.46% of gross)
 (9.73% of gross)

#### **Regulation Approach**

- Qualification Reviews (Greater than 3 million gross receipts)
  - Determine compliance with significant progress according to dollars spent on programs
  - Present finding to Commissioners (each organization every three years)
- Program Reviews (Greater than 3 million gross receipts)
  - Analyze and confirm content of programs
  - Review financial records and statements

### **Regulation Continued**



#### Cash Flow Compliance

Ensures nonprofit/charity is making a profit to benefit the organization's stated purpose

Sets a minimum requirement according to the gross receipts earned

#### Compliance and Records Inspections

Ensure games are operated fairly and records are accurate.

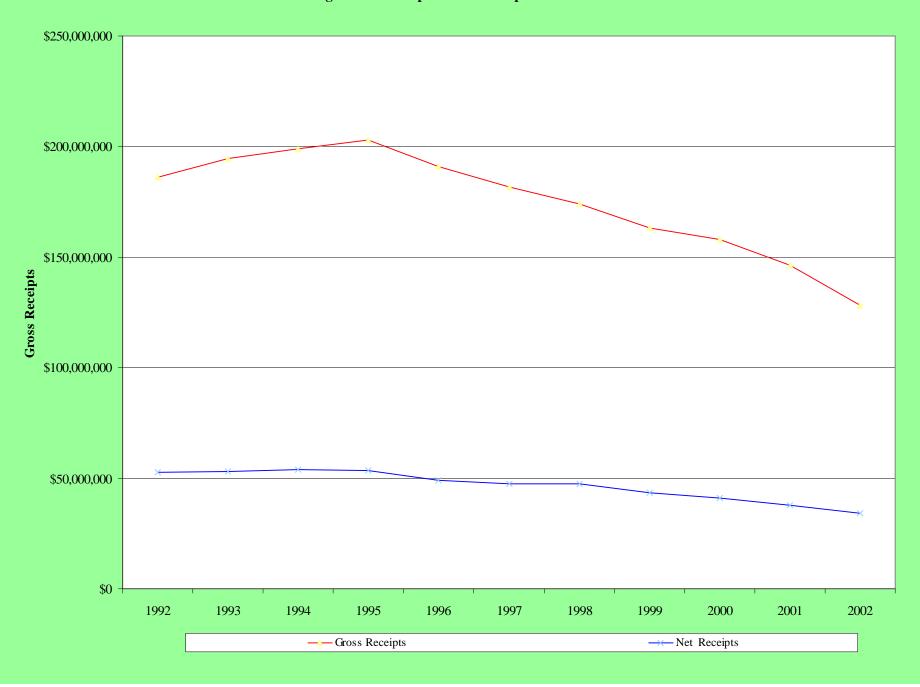
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**Gross Receipts By License Class** 



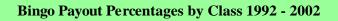


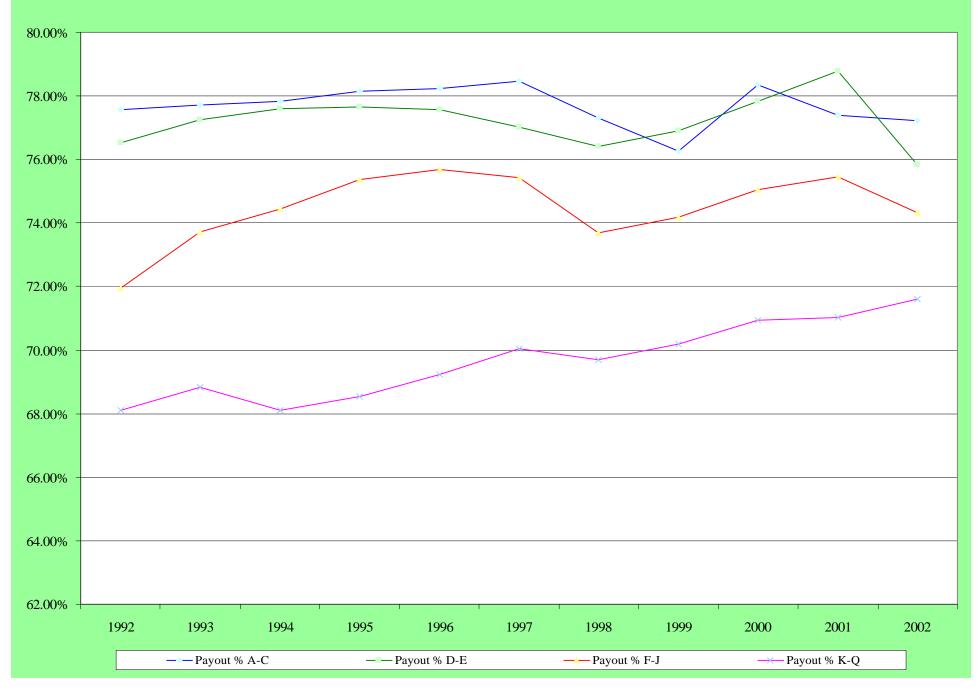
#### **Bingo Gross Receipts to Net Receipts 1992 - 2002**

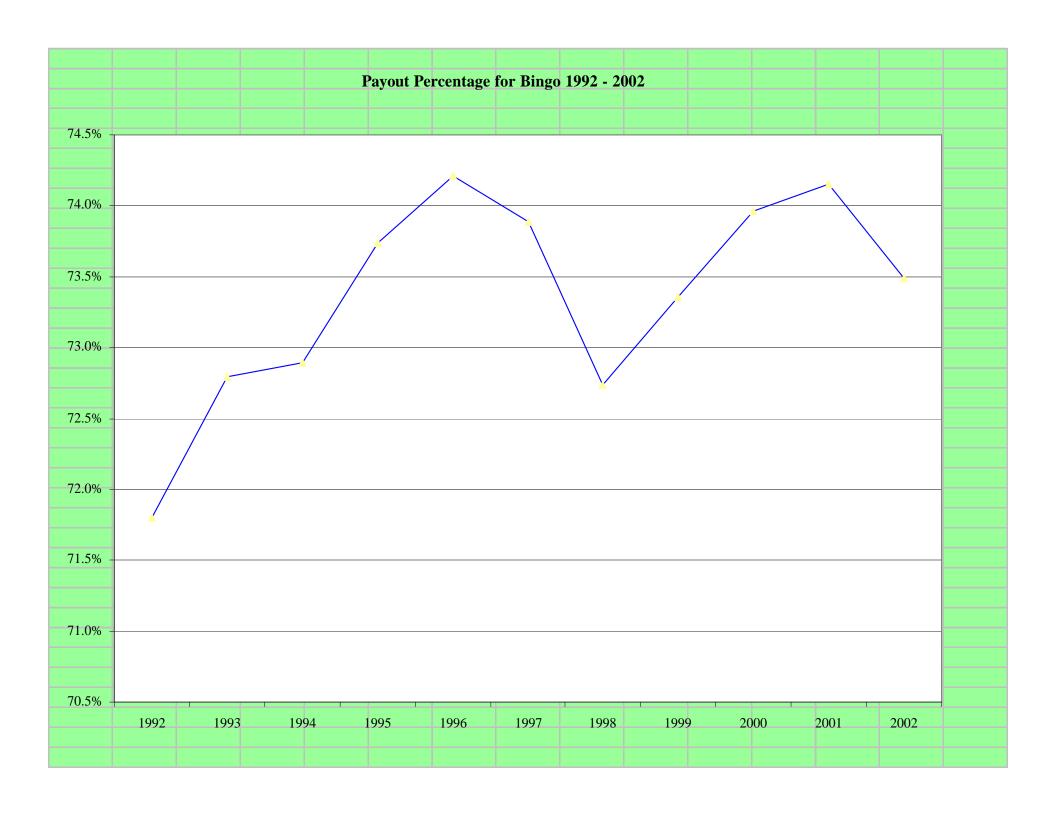




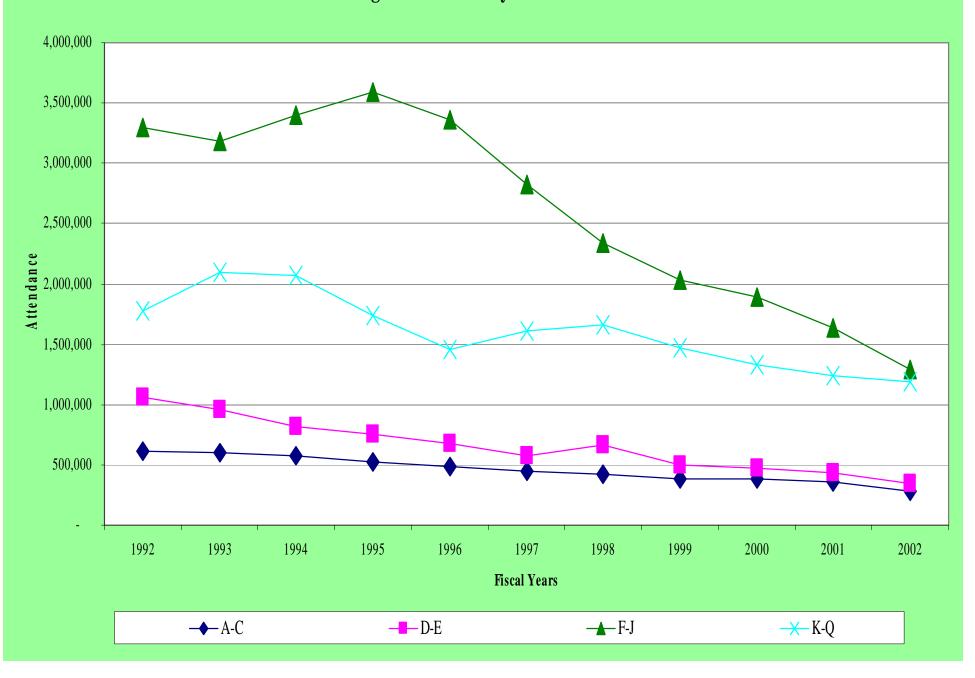












#### Bingo Gross Receipts Per Player By License Class





